





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

James J. Howarth

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For: METHOD OF BALL GRID ARRAY (BGA) ALIGNMENT, METHOD OF TESTING,

ALIGNMENT APPARATUS AND

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE ASSEMBLY

Confirmation No.: 1559

Examiner: J. Diaz

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed June 5, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on September 5, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

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